MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
SANTA MARIA CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

JANUARY 20, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:
Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT
Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino.

INVOCATION:
Pastor Paul Berry of Calvary Chapel gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:
Councilmember Orach led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:
Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT
City Manager Haydon, City Attorney Trujillo, Director of Community Development Appel, Deputy City Manager Barnhard, City Librarian Housel, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Kahn, Police Chief Martin, Fire Chief Orr, Director of Recreation and Parks Posada, Director of Utilities Springer, Deputy City Manager Tse, Director of Administrative Services Visé, Human Resources Manager Ladue, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

1. PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

A. PROCLAMATION – RESPECT FOR LIFE WEEK
Councilmember Waterfield read a proclamation declaring the week of January 19-23, 2015, as "Respect for Life Week" in the City of Santa Maria. The proclamation was accepted by Jon Lindgren.

B. PROCLAMATION – YEAR OF THE LIBRARY
Councilmember Zuniga read a proclamation declaring January 1, 2015 – December 1, 2015 as the Year of the Library in the City of Santa Maria. Library Trustee Jackie MacNeill accepted the award.

City Librarian Housel indicated that a Friends of Library representative from Los Alamos was present and requested that he be given an opportunity to comment.

Stephan Bedford, representing the Los Alamos Friends of the Library, thanked the City Council, City of Santa Maria, and the Santa Maria Library for their support in rehabilitating the new Los Alamos Library.

C. VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH
Councilmember Boysen presented the Volunteer of the Month award to the Friends of the Library for their contributions to the library. Jeni Newell accepted the award on behalf of the group.

City Librarian Housel commented that the Friends of the Library have purchased touch-screen computers for the children's center, and encouraged those who have not been to the Library in awhile to come and see the new services being offered.

D. PRESENTATION – "GOING THE EXTRA MILE" (GEM) AWARD
City Manager Haydon presented the City's *Going the Extra Mile* (GEM) Award to Code Compliance Division employees Joylyn Castaing, Celia Lennon, Jassmine Leyva, Denna Owen, Esequiel Moreno, and Michelle Tasseff for their successful *Walk and Talk* series. Citing the fact that the Code Compliance Division directly meets with and educates thousands of households about quality of life issues as they relate to Municipal Code violations, City Manager Haydon explained the *Walk and Talk Program* had received the Best Innovative Program Award for 2014 from the California Association of Code Enforcement Officers. As of October 2014, the team held 22 *Walk and Talk* events educating businesses about signage, homelessness issues, and store front beautification. Going door to door to discuss visible code violations, but never issuing citations, the program created a very positive impact in the community with widespread word-of-mouth, attracting strong media coverage and providing excellent outreach opportunities. The *Walk and Talks* are strategically designed to cover the entire city over a period of three to four years.

City Attorney Trujillo assisted in handing out the awards and commented that based on his experience, the City has one of the best Code Compliance programs on the Central Coast, if not the entire State of California.

Code Compliance Supervisor Moreno indicated that over the last two years the laws of the City have been passed along to many residents through personal, face-to-face interactions instead of simply dispersing handouts or pamphlets. He attributed the success of the program to those personal interactions combined with a bi-lingual flyer and good public relations in advertising. He went on to say the City of Santa Maria is fortunate to have a team of five of the best officers in its Code Enforcement Division. He thanked the Council for the recognition and honor.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Darryl Scheck, representing SEIU Local 620, asked SEIU members to stand in the audience and reminded everyone that the Local 620 believes the benefit package the City is offering is unfair to their members. He also stated that the group's last, best, and final offer is still less than the packages other bargaining groups were receiving.

Doug Shearer, SEIU Local 620 Union Member, spoke of his responsibility overseeing the NHIS program and how much the program has grown over the last ten years, becoming a substantial line item in the City's budget. He reiterated the group's desire for a fairer benefit package.

Daniel Vegezzi, SEIU Local 620 Chapter Chair, spoke about how important each City department is to City residents and reiterated the Union members' requests for a fair package.

Bruce Corsaw, President of SEIU Local 620, stated he had been working with the City for 14 years negotiating contracts. He went on to explain how supportive Local 620 members have been when the City has asked for support during tough financial times. He said the group's members were simply asking for a fairer contract than the one being proposed. This was the first year, as far as he could remember, that so many members were actually speaking up and coming together in unison to resolve negotiations.

Michelle Ruiz, SEIU Local 620 Union Member, spoke about the trend in local cities to place a higher value on public safety employees than on miscellaneous employees. She stated the SEIU Local 620 was seeking a 3.5 percent cost of living adjustment equal to what was granted to public safety groups pointing out the many services the Local 620 provide to the community.

David Gomez, SEIU Local 620 Union Member, spoke about Union's part-time employees and how many of them hold second jobs to make ends meet. He also reminded everyone of services the Local 620 provide during holidays and non-business hours and congratulated everyone in the group for their efforts to meet the demands of City residents.

City Manager Haydon reiterated that State law prohibits Council from taking any action on items during public comment and/or engaging in any discussions with the public. He also stated that the Closed Session slated for later in the meeting, would include discussions about SEIU Local 620, but that, at this point, it would not be appropriate for staff to make any comments.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Councilmember Orach asked to comment on Item 3I (Professional Services Agreement regarding the Integrated Plan) and stated he would recuse himself on Item 3G (Splash N Dash) due to a conflict of interest.

3I – Professional Services Agreement regarding the Integrated Plan

Councilmember Orach asked Director of Utilities Springer to explain what the Integrated Plan will do.

Director of Utilities Springer responded that the City currently has multiple permits through multiple agencies such as the State Water Resources Control Board, the Regional Control Board, and the EPA. Those agencies may control storm water discharge, drinking water, sanitary sewer, wastewater treatment plant, etc. The Integrated Plan would work with the regulatory agencies to create a Master Plan which would meet requirements for multiple permits, help prioritize projects, and save the City money and efforts in the long term.

Consent Calendar Items 3A through 3I (except 3G) were approved on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Consent Calendar Item 3G only, (Splash N Dash) was approved on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 4-0-1

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Orach

A. ORDINANCES
The reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions was waived. Ordinances on the Consent Calendar were adopted by the same vote cast at the first reading unless City Council indicated otherwise.

B. MINUTES
The Minutes of the Special meeting of the City Council of December 30, 2014, were approved as submitted.

C. MINUTES
The Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of January 6, 2015, were approved as submitted.

D. WARRANTS
Warrant Nos. 190954 to 191122 totaling $573,917.18 were ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services. Warrant No. 188968 was cancelled.

E. PAYROLL
Payment of payroll was ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Heads, as shown on records on file in the Department of Administrative Services and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services.

F. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2015-02
The City Council conducted the second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2015-02 making technical amendments to the Santa Maria Municipal Code.

Ordinance No. 2015-02 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE, RELATING TO MASSAGE, DEFINITION OF SEX OFFENDER, PARKING, RE-LABELING CITY RANGERS, AND PROHIBITION OF FIRES IN PARKS

G. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2015-01
The City Council conducted the second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2015-01 amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Santa Maria for a 3.8 acre property FROM PD/CC (Planned Development/Convenience Commercial) zoning district TO PD/GC (Planned Development/General Commercial) zoning district with regard to the Splash N Dash car wash.

Ordinance No. 2015-01 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP FOR 3.8 ACRES CONSISTING OF ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NOS. 121-012-005 AND -006, LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF EAST DONOVAN ROAD, BETWEEN NORTH MCCLELLAND STREET AND NORTH MILLER STREET GPZ2014-0001.

H. INTENT TO ANNEX PARCELS INTO LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS
Resolution No. 2015-05 was adopted expressing intent to annex Bethel Lutheran Church-Casa de Bambini and Bethel Lutheran Church-Bethel Senior Housing into the Northeast Landscape District, and the City of Santa Maria Police Department into the Southwest Landscape District.

Resolution No. 2015-05 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS AND DECLARING THE INTENTION TO ANNEX TERRITORY TO ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS, PURSUANT TO THE "LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972" BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – CASA DE BAMBINI; BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – BETHEL SENIOR HOUSEIN; AND CITY OF SANTA MARIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

I. AGREEMENT WITH LARRY WALKER ASSOCIATES FOR AN INTEGRATED PLAN
The City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the Director of Utilities to enter into an Agreement for Professional Services with Larry Walker Associates, Inc. for development of an Integrated Plan and any extensions and modifications consistent with the terms of the Agreement in order to carry out the project.

a. Resolution No. 2015-06 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH LARRY WALKER ASSOCIATES INC. FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTEGRATED PLAN.

APPOINTMENTS

4. ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.
Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz reported the City Council would be making appointments to the All-America City Committee, the Landmark Committee, the Measure U2012 Citizens' Oversight Committee, the Planning Commission, the Recreation and Parks Commission, and the Santa Maria Community Television Board of Directors.

All-America City Committee
Three members were needed for the All-America City Committee for a regular term of two years ending in January 2017. Nominations to this Committee are made by individual Councilmembers, appointments are made by the Mayor with ratification by the City Council. Three incumbents had reapplied and one new application was received.

Incumbents
Rebecca Carey
Michelle Huitron
Shannon McCreery

New Applicant
Jéan Nicolas

Incumbents Rebecca Carey, Michelle Huitron, and Shannon McCreery were nominated to the Committee by Mayor Patino, Councilmember Orach, and Councilmember Zuniga, respectively. Mayor Patino accepted the nominations on her own motion, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and the appointments were confirmed by unanimous vote of the City Council.

Landmark Committee
There were two members needed for the Landmark Committee for a term of three years ending in January 2018. The appointments were to be made by the Mayor with ratification by the City Council. One incumbent reapplied and one new application was received.

Incumbent
Edward Zemaitis

New Applicant
Jéan Nicolas

On motion by Mayor Patino, seconded by Councilmember Orach, Edward Zemaitis and Jéan Nicholas were appointed to the Landmark Committee for three years, and confirmed by unanimous vote of the City Council.

Measure U2012 Citizens' Oversight Committee
Two members were needed for a term of four years ending in January 2019. Nominations to this committee are made by individual Councilmembers, appointments are made by the Mayor with ratification by the City Council. The two incumbents have reapplied and one new application was received.

Incumbent
John Peters
Alesia Yglesias

New Applicant
Jéan Nicolas

Incumbents John Peters and Alesia Yglesias were nominated by Councilmembers Boysen and Waterfield, respectively. Mayor Patino accepted the nominations on her own motion, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and the appointments were confirmed by unanimous vote of the City Council.

Planning Commission
Two members were needed for a term of four years ending in January 2019. Nominations to this committee are made by individual Councilmembers, appointed by the Mayor, and confirmed by the City Council. One incumbent had reapplied and four new applications were received.

Incumbent
Fred Quigley

New Applicants
Maribel Aguilera-Hernandez
Tony Coles
Jim Ellis
Jéan Nicolas

Councilmember Boysen nominated Fred Quigley and Councilmember Waterfield nominated Maribel Aguilera-Hernandez. Mayor Patino accepted the nominations on her own motion, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and the appointments were confirmed by unanimous vote of the City Council.

Recreation and Parks Commission
Two members were needed for a term of four years ending in January 2019. Nominations to this committee are made by individual Councilmembers, appointed by the Mayor, and confirmed by City Council. Two incumbents had reapplied and one new application was received.
Gayle Pratt and Yleana Velasco were nominated by Councilmembers Boysen and Waterfield, respectively. Mayor Patino accepted the nominations on her own motion, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and the appointments were confirmed by unanimous vote of the City Council.

Incumbents
Gayle Pratt
Yleana Velasco

New Applicant
Jéan Nicolas

Santa Maria Community Television Board of Directors
One member was needed for a two-year term ending in January 2017. The appointments are to be made by the Mayor with ratification by the City Council. One incumbent reapplied and one new application was received.

Incumbent
Mark van de Kamp

New Applicant
Jéan Nicolas

On motion by Mayor Patino, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, Mark van de Kamp was appointed to the Santa Maria Community Television Board of Directors for two years by unanimous vote of the City Council.

Mayor Patino asked newly appointed and re-appointed Board and Committee members to stand and be recognized. She thanked them for donating their time and talents to the City of Santa Maria.

PRESENTATION

5. NORTH COUNTY JAIL UPDATE BY SHERIFF BILL BROWN. 5th District Supervisor Lavagnino introduced Santa Barbara County Sheriff Bill Brown.

Sheriff Brown thanked the Board of Supervisors for their continued support stating that the project had truly been a team effort. He recognized retired Commander Tom Jenkins for his level of expertise on the project. He also recognized Custody Lieutenant Jeff Warren and County of Santa Barbara General Services Director Matthew Pontes. He invited them to answer any questions the Council may have.

Sheriff Brown stated the new North County branch jail would address the serious issue of overcrowding the County currently faces. It would also address the failing infrastructure and out of date design at the current jail. The existing jail has been in use since 1971 and does not allow for the sufficient processing of inmates such as visitations, medical care, and substance abuse treatment.

The Northern Branch jail would be built in two phases. The first phase (the AB900 phase) would hold 376 beds, 32 of which would be intended for medical and mental health inmates. This phase would include laundry, maintenance, kitchen, classroom, and administration facilities. The total cost of the first phase was estimated to be $96 million. Of that amount, $80 million would be funded through the AB900 award the County received from the State of California.

The second phase would primarily be funded through an SB1022 conditional award also funded through the State of California. That part of the project would provide for an additional wing with 228 beds and would concentrate on treatment, programming, and recidivism reduction. Phase II was estimated to cost an additional $44 million.

The property, located on the corner of Betteravia and Black Road, was initially obtained in 2008 through an eminent domain process. On December 19, 2014, final construction documents were submitted to the State for approval. In the next few months, the project would be put out for bid. The ground breaking for Phase I was anticipated to be in September 2015 while ground breaking for Phase II would occur in January 2017. Provided all goes as anticipated, final occupancy Phase I would be in 2018 and 2019 for Phase II.

Sheriff Brown reviewed the layout of the property. The benefits to the City for the new facility would include its close proximity to the new Santa Maria Police Department, ease of conducting follow-up with arrestees, an easier and more efficient booking process, and an easier reintegration of inmates into the community.

The new facility would have video capability allowing visits and professional video communication between attorneys and clients. Approximately 350-400 job opportunities would open up for the community not only to build the facility, but also in running day to day operations. Sales tax revenue from the construction would benefit the local economy. When finished, roughly half the jail beds in the County would be in the North County.

Councilmember Waterfield asked what will happen to the old jail, and asked the square footage of each of the Phases. She also asked about increasing jobs and local revenue, as well as the bidding process pointing out that because it was a State funded project, there were no assurances that local resources and supplies would be utilized.

Sheriff Brown responded that roughly 40 percent of the old jail would be repurposed either into a day reporting center or classrooms. Some rooms may be kept as storage areas. He also said the plans were to do as much outreach as possible with local vendors in an effort to keep much of the contract work local. However, the reality was that, due to the nature of the construction, some of the vendors would have to be brought in from elsewhere.

Commander Tom Jenkins stated Phase I would be about 138,000 square feet and he would need to research Phase II for exact footage.

Councilmember Zuniga commented she was impressed and encouraged by the integration of incarceration with treatment, rehabilitation, counseling, and contact with families.

Councilmember Boysen asked about the mental health beds and if they were going to be primarily 72-hour hold beds. He also asked about recreation services.

Sheriff Brown responded that the facility would not be a psychiatric emergency facility. Mental health beds would be used for more long-term mental illness inmates. He went on to say there would be recreation yards in each section of the facility. There would also be several large fields adjacent to the facility.

Mayor Patino asked about the design of the facility and if it was a design that was used other places.

Sheriff Brown responded that the design was unique to this area.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER:
City Manager Haydon reported that, due to the lack of agenda items, the February 3, 2015 City Council meeting may be cancelled. He indicated that he would know for sure within the next 48 hours.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS):
Councilmember Boysen reported that he attended a C3H meeting, the Policy Council meeting for C3H, and an ad-hoc committee meeting for salary surveys for the Board of Supervisors. He also mentioned that the C3H committee was looking at recruiting an executive director. He thanked Police Chief Martin for helping with a recent meeting exploring ways to work with gang issues at Evans Park.

Councilmember Orach had no reportable meetings.

Councilmember Waterfield reported that she attended a New Mayor and City Councilmember seminar with the League of California Cities' in Sacramento.

Councilmember Zuniga reported she also attended the League of California Cities New Councilmember conference, the Community Action Commission Board meeting, and spoke on the Ben Heighes radio show. She also presented a Proclamation on the Mayor's behalf at the NAACP event on Martin Luther King Day.

Mayor Patino reported she attended the Santa Barbara County quarterly Mayors and Managers meeting, the SBCAG monthly board meeting where they discussed unmet needs in the community, the APCD Board of Directors meeting, a reception in Harvest Glen, and spoke on the Ben Heighes radio show.

CLOSED SESSION:
The City Council recessed at 8:21 p.m. to a Closed Session regarding 1) Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to 54957.6 of the Government Code, Agency Representative: Deputy City Manager, Employee Organizations: Employee Organizations: Santa Maria Fire Fighters Union Local 2020; Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 620; Public Safety Managers; and Non-Represented Management and Confidential Employees.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT:
Following the Closed Session, the City Attorney reported that direction was given to staff.

ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

APPROVED:

2/17/15
Date

Rhonda M. Garietz
Chief Deputy City Clerk of the City of Santa Maria and ex officio Clerk of the City Council

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria

ATTEST:

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk